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                   IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
               FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA
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                          CHARLESTON DIVISION
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     Case No.: 2:13-cv-04457 MDL NO. 2326
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    VIDEO DEPOSITION OF BRIAN J. FLYNN, MD August 29, 2014
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     BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION, PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM PRODUCTS
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    LIABILITY LITIGATION
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    Related to
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I do not have any photographs or slides or

- 2 questionnaires. I don't have any information sheets. I
- 3 don't keep any personal records on my patients; everything is
- 4 a shared chart with the University so I don't have a personal
- 5 office chart. Everything's the University of Colorado
- 6 Hospital chart.

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- 7 In terms of billing statements and insurance
- 8 issues, I don't have any copies of that. I have not had any
- 9 correspondence with the Plaintiff electronically or written
- 10 communication.
- And with respect to bullet point B, I don't have
- 12 any emails to Boston Scientific as it pertains to this case
- 13 or this product, Lynx. I do have a copy of my CV if you'd
- 14 like me to submit that as an exhibit.
- 15 O. Sure.
- A. This is an updated copy. And I printed that out
- 17 this morning, so that is the most recent copy of my CV.
- 18 Let's see.
- Lastly, bullet point 3, I've never used this
- 20 product Lynx, so I don't have any, any information for users
- 21 or instructions to user, patient brochures, or marketing
- 22 literature from Boston Scientific.
- Q. All right. Thanks, Doctor. And I probably should
- 24 have asked you this at the outset, but have you ever been
- 25 deposed before?

- 1 reconstructive surgery.
 - 2 I started out as an assistant professor and was
 - 3 promoted to associate professor at my eighth year. And I'm

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- 4 being considered for full professor.
- My practice is largely in female pelvic medicine,
- 6 but I do male reconstructive surgery as well.
- 7 Q. Okay. And correct me if I'm wrong. My
- 8 understanding is that you receive a lot of referrals when
- 9 other physicians around the region have mesh complications.
- 10 Is that accurate?

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- 11 A. I receive a lot of referrals for a variety of
- 12 complaints, mesh complications included.
- Q. Would you say that you see more mesh complications
- 14 than most gynecologists or urogynecologists in this area?
 - MR. MYERS: Objection to form.
- A. I see a lot of complications. I'm not familiar
- 17 with what other people's numbers are. But I know I'm very
- 18 busy in that part of my practice. It's a significant part of
- 19 my practice. I've done -- I have an interest in that area.
- 20 (BY MR. McCRARY) Q. Have you ever done any
- 21 research involving pelvic mesh?
- A. Can you be more specific about research?
- 23 Q. Have you ever performed any studies involving
- 24 pelvic mesh?
- 25 A. Clinical studies in terms of prospective randomized

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- 1 A. I have.
- Q. And so you're familiar with the process, and that
- 3 you need to wait for me to finish before you answer? And if
- 4 defense -- Defense Attorney has an objection you need to
- 5 let him get that out there and the same with your attorney,
- 6 before you give your answer?
- 7 A. Yes. I'm familiar with the process.
- 8 Q. Okay. In that case, why don't we start by just
- 9 taking a look at your CV here. Is this the only copy you
- 10 brought with you?
- 11 A. I have an electronic copy right in front of me as
- 12 well.
- Q. I'll go ahead and mark it and that way we'll both
- 14 get a copy, and I'll let you look at that as you go.
- 15 (Exhibit 2 marked for identification.)
- Q. And I just wanted you to give us a brief summary
- 17 of your background, and how you ended up as a physician here
- 18 today.
- 19 A. Well, I'm Dr. Brian Flynn. And I am the co-
- 20 director of female pelvic medicine reconstructive surgery at
- 21 the University of Colorado. I'm associate professor here of
- 22 surgery and urology.
- And I've been a faculty member here for more than
- 24 12 years. I came here in 2002 after finishing my fellowship
- 25 at Duke University in female pelvic medicine and

- 1 studies or industry sponsored studies, no. In terms of
- 2 retrospective case series, yes, looking at my own experiences
- 3 with mesh.
- 4 I've looked at my experience using TVT Secur is
- 5 one product that I've written about. And I've published
- 6 videos on TVT Abbrevo. I have published a video on Prolift
- 7 is another product that I've published a video on.
- 8 And with respect to mesh complications, I've
- 9 written about that. I've written two major articles. One
- 10 was an update for the American Urologic Association. And
- another article was a recent article in 2013 I believe in the
- 12 International Urogynecology looking at complications from
- 13 midurethral slings.
- Most of my research is retrospective case series.
- 15 It's not bench work. I've never done any laboratory work or
- 16 bench science, or any kind of biomaterial scientific research
- 17 on any of these products.
- 18 Q. So does that then mean that you're essentially
- 9 going back and looking at the cases that you've seen, and
- 20 quantifying how often you see certain occurrences with pelvic
- 21 mesh? Is that accurate?
- 22 A. Yes, that's accurate.
- Q. Okay. And you mentioned that you did a video.
- 24 What were you, what was the purpose of the video? Was it
- 25 a training video?

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- 1 A. A few purposes. One is as a faculty member here
- 2 we're encouraged to present our data and do research and
- 3 interact at scientific meetings, and so the videos were part
- 4 of a scientific program that was presented at the American
- 5 Urologic Association.
- One of the videos, one was presented at the south
- 7 central section of the American Urologic Association. Those
- 8 videos were done with our residents and fellows.
- 9 So the videos were done to present our technique,
- 10 and to help guide physicians on how to do the procedure
- 11 properly. That is the majority of the videos.
- There is one video that was done specifically for
- 13 Ethicon. That was the TVT Abbrevo video. That is on their
- 14 website. That's my video; it's still on the website today.
- And that video was done for online training as part
- 16 of their physician portal. It's not viewable by consumers,
- 17 but just for, for physicians who have a portal. They can go
- 18 online and look at the video.
- And it was shared at their different teaching
- 20 courses they have.
- Q. So I take it, then, that you have been retained to
- 22 work for -- is it, did you say Johnson and Johnson? Or was
- 23 it --
- A. I had been during that time, yes.
- Q. And it was Johnson and Johnson?

- re 1 Q. For training.
 - 2 A. Mostly in the western United States. They would

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- 3 have a training facility that they would rent out. They
- 4 don't own the facility, but there's different training
- 5 facilities, one here in Aurora at Science Care and another
- 6 facility in Phoenix and another one in California.
- So those were the three primary places that we
- 8 would have what we'd call a lab where we'd train physicians
- 9 on new products and old products using a cadaver, using
- 10 videos, using tutorials, PowerPoint presentations.
- Q. Were you involved at all in the drafting of any of
- 12 those materials, the PowerPoints, things like that?
- 13 A. Very limited role. For the most part their
- 14 professional educational department would develop most of
- 15 the literature.
- Q. Has Ethicon or any other vaginal mesh device
- 17 manufacturer ever reached out to you with questions?
- 8 MR. MYERS: Objection to form.
- 19 A. Yeah, You'd have to be more specific.
- 20 (BY MR. McCRARY) Q. Have they ever reached out to
- 21 you with questions about ways to improve implantation
- 22 technique?
- A. That's a very open-ended question, Sean. When you
- 24 say "reach out," can you --
- Q. Basically I want to know if, you know, these

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- 1 A. Well, Ethicon is their surgical division. Johnson
- 2 and Johnson is the parent company.
- 3 Q. Okay. And what was the scope of your contract with
- 4 that company?
- 5 A. I don't have any existing contracts with them. I
- 6 have not had a contract with them in at least a few years.
- 7 I'd have to look back at the exact records, Sean.
- 8 But at the time you got paid for any consulting
- 9 work that you did for them. So we agreed on a rate for me to
- 10 do that video for them.
- Q. Okay. And so basically is it accurate that they
- 12 asked you to help with physician training?
- 13 A. That's accurate, yes.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. I was, you know, what you would consider a
- 16 preceptor.
- Q. Okay. And so have, has, has Ethicon ever sent
- 18 other surgeons to come watch you perform surgery?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And did they come here to Denver? Or did you go
- 21 somewhere, and the other physicians also came there and
- 22 watched you there?
- 23 A. Both.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall where you went?
- A. For what specific event?

- 1 companies, they have what we refer to as key opinion leaders,
- 2 who -- which are physicians that they respect in a field.
- 3 If they're either developing a new product or if
- 4 they have, you know, maybe some new literature that comes out
- 5 that may raise some eyebrows and they have questions about
- 6 that literature they'll, they'll ask some of their key
- 7 opinion leaders their thoughts.
- 8 Basically, what I'm wondering is if you're one of
- 9 those people that Ethicon reached out to for advice when they
- 10 were developing their mesh products?
- 11 A. I was, yes.
- Q. Okay. And do you recall any -- anything
- 13 specifically that Ethicon asked you about?
- 14 A. I don't remember specific questions. This would
- 15 have been in around 2008. And I didn't have one-on-one
- 16 conversations, you know.
- When we would have these courses a number of the
- 18 preceptors would get together with representatives from
- 19 Ethicon. And there may be an open discussion. But, you
- 20 know, people would bring ideas and talk about how the
- 21 products were performing and how the -- what kind of outcomes
- 22 everyone was getting.
- 23 Q. And have you trained any of the surgeons here at UC
- 24 Denver?
- 25 A. I have.